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SUBJECT: VICE PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO WEST BERLIN

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1. AT JANUARY 12 LUNCH WITH CHARGE, GDR DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER GRUNERT SAID HE HAD HEARD THAT VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT MONDALE WOULD VISIT WEST BERLIN AS PART OF HIS FORTHCOMING WESTERN EUROPEAN VISIT. GRUNERT SAID THE GDR HAD NOTHING AGAINST A VISIT TO WEST BERLIN BY THE VICE PRESIDENT, BUT THEY HOPED THE OCCASION WOULD NOT BE USED BY THE WEST GERMANS IN ANY WAY TO DEMONSTRATE FRG-WEST BERLIN TIES. GRUNERT'S COMMENTS WERE MADE IN A LOW-KEY MANNER.

2. CHARGE SAID HE WAS UNAWARE OF SUCH A PLANNED VISIT IN CONNECTION WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT'S WESTERN EUROPEAN TRIP. HE WAS CERTAIN, HOWEVER, THAT IF SUCH A TRIP WERE MADE, IT WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH US POLICIES AND PRACTICES CONCERNING THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN, WHICH WERE NO CONCERN OF GDR AUTHORITIES. GRUNERT MADE NO EFFORT TO REPLY.

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3. WE HAVE SINCE LEARNED FROM USBER THAT THE VICE PRESIDENT WILL VISIT WEST BERLIN, AND WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE IN THE EVENT EAST GERMAN OFFICIALS SHOULD RAISE MATTER AGAIN WITH US. IN THIS REGARD, CHARGE IS ATTENDING JANUARY 18 LUNCHEON DUTCH AMBASSADOR IS GIVING FOR GDR FOREIGN MINISTER

FISCHER IN CONNECTION WITH LATTER'S TRIP TO NETHERLANDS
LATER THIS MONTH.
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